



Indianapolis

Gregory A. Ballard, Mayor

Early Education and Public Safety Initiative

Mayor Gregory A. Ballard

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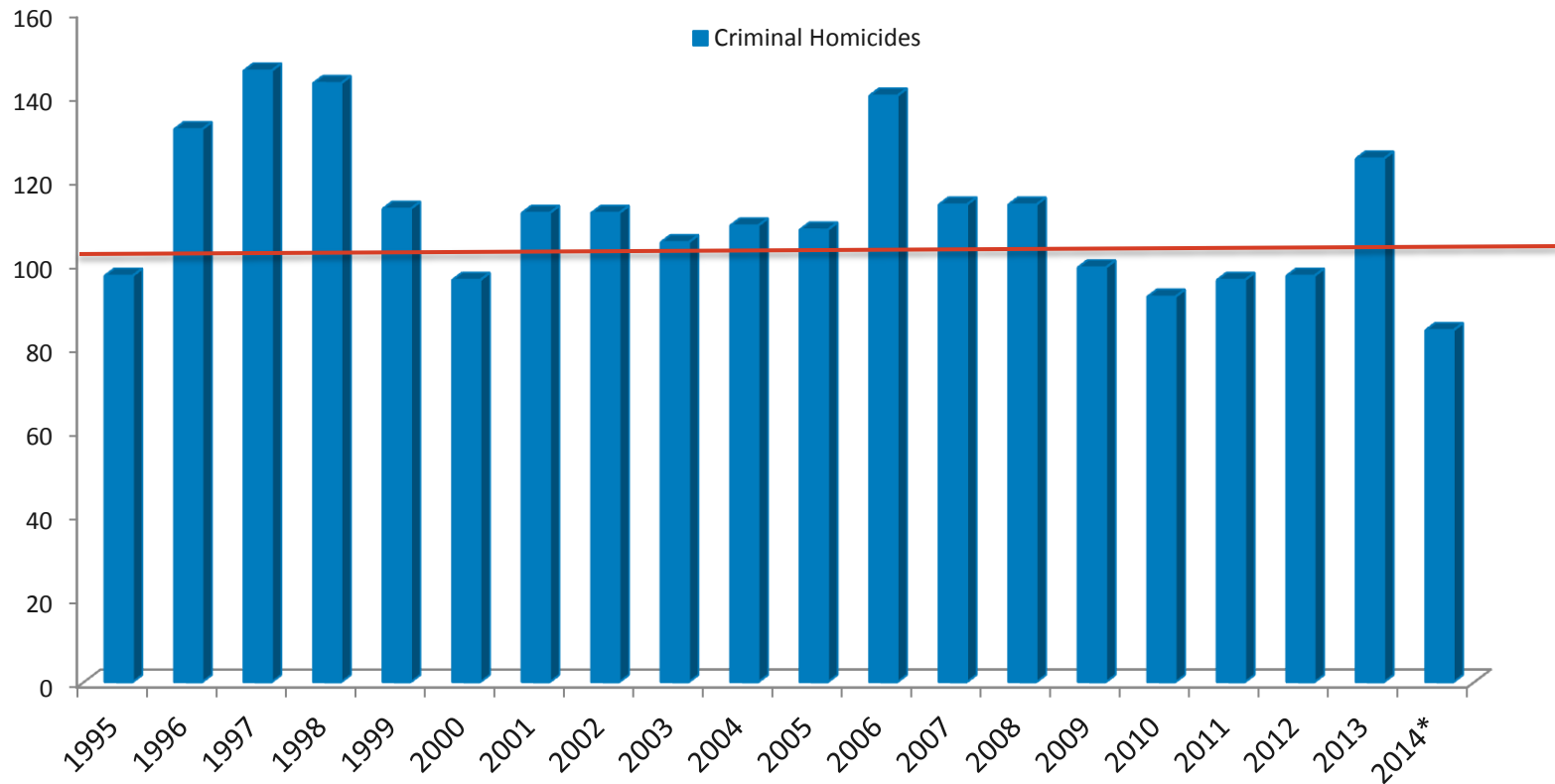
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Current Murder Statistics



Source: IMPD Crime Analysis Unit

* - through August 13, 2014

*Crime in Indy is a result of generations of
not addressing the root cause with long-term solutions*

Current Murder Statistics



- **91% of murder suspects had prior adult criminal history**
 - 66% had previous crimes against another person arrest
 - 42% had previous drug arrest
 - 36% had previous weapons arrest
 - These suspects accounted for 198 adult felony arrests.

- **82% of murder victims had prior adult criminal history**
 - 64% had previous drug arrest
 - 61% had previous crimes against another person arrest
 - 43% had previous weapons arrest
 - These victims accounted for 273 adult felony arrests

- **78% of murder victims knew their attacker**

- **48% of criminal homicides have drugs / robbery as the motive**
- **33% murders were related to fights/revenge**
- **10% of murders were domestic**

Those with criminal histories continue to commit crime



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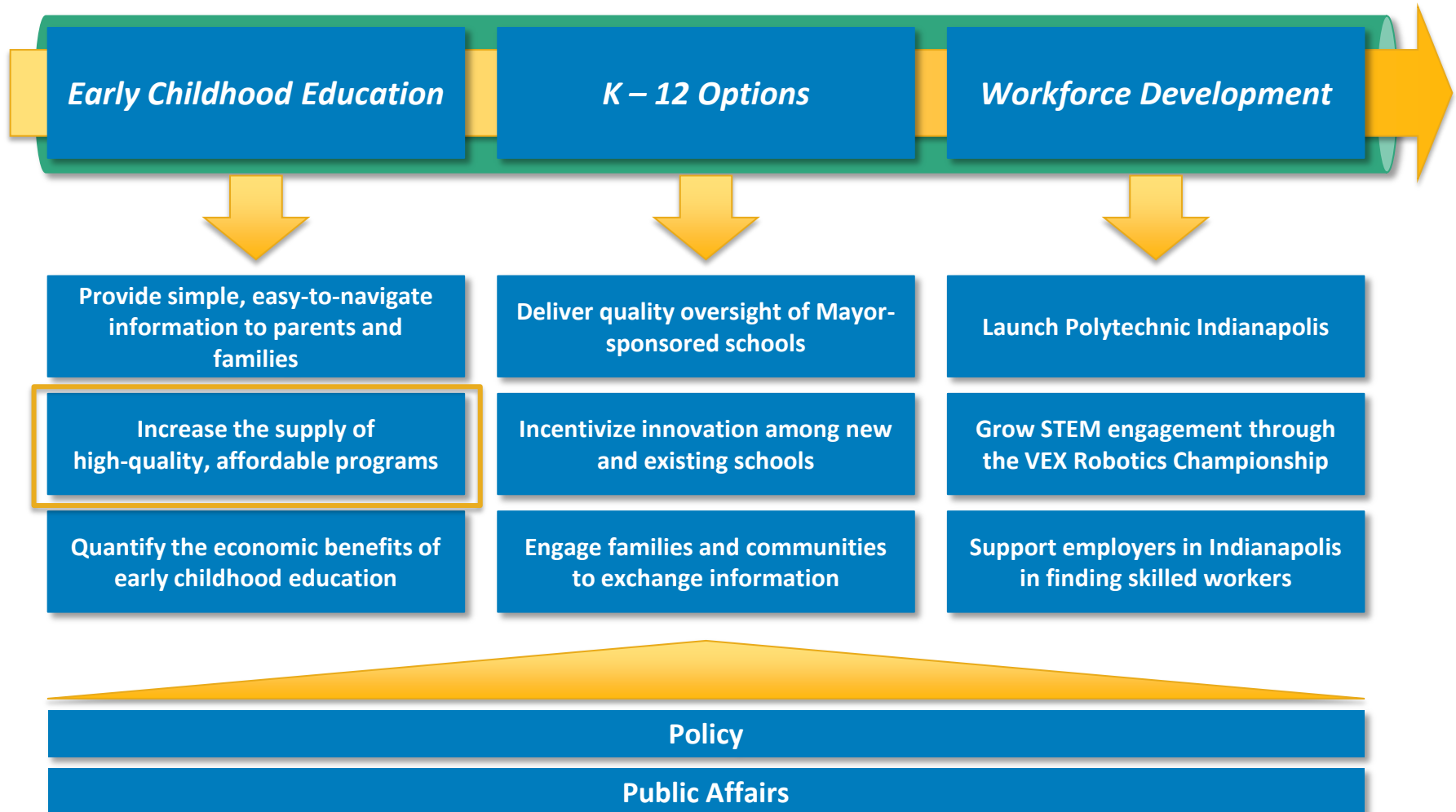
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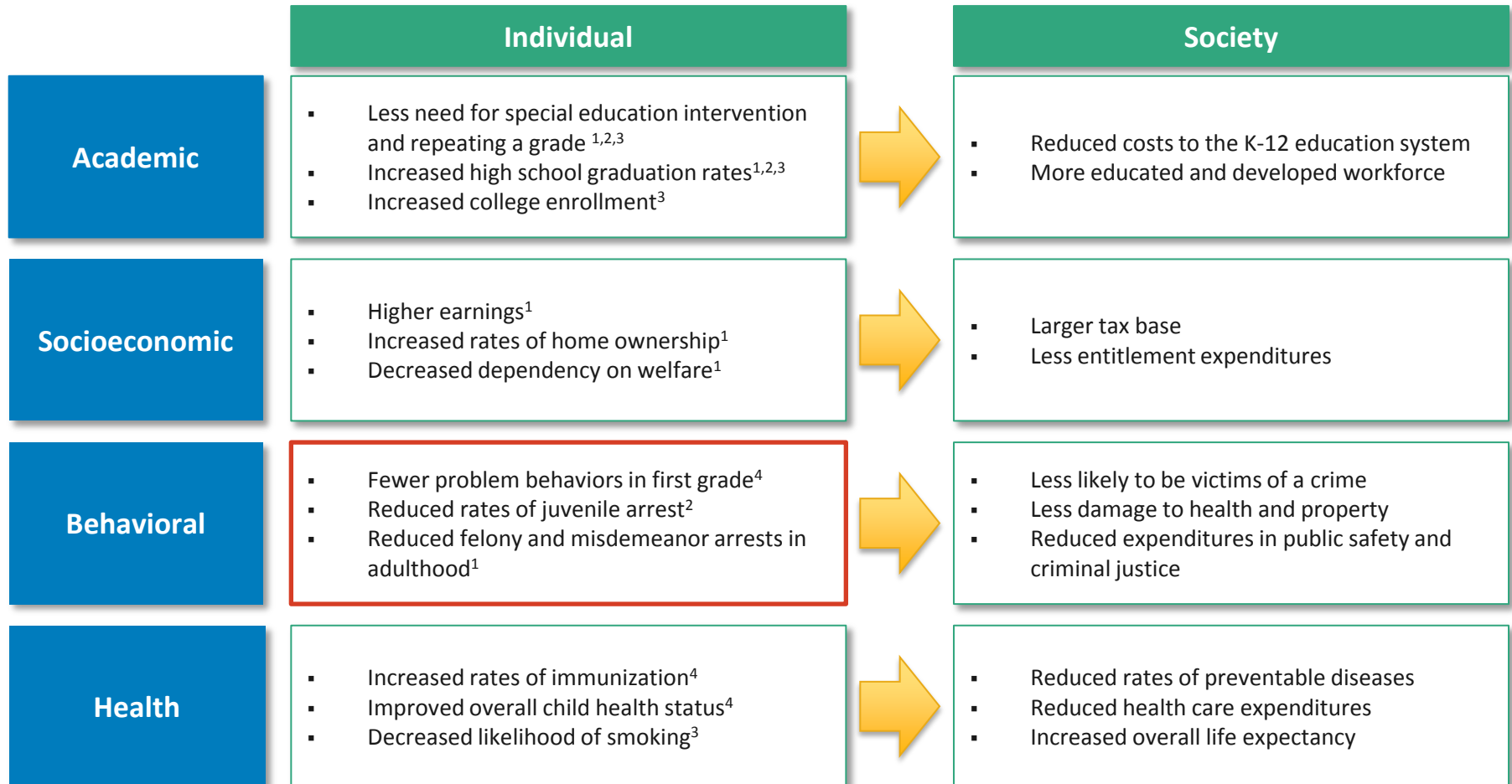


Expanding access to high-quality pre-school was one of the fundamental elements in our strategic plan.





Evidence is clear. High-quality early preschool makes our city safer and improves academic, socioeconomic, behavioral, and health outcomes for children living in poverty.



¹Perry Preschool Project
²Chicago Child-Parent Centers

³Abecedarian Project
⁴Head Start



- ***\$25M program expands scholarship/eligibility for pre-school***
 - *Scholarships designed to make pre-school affordable for families in need*
 - *1,300 children per year whose families qualify for free/reduced school lunch*
 - *Coordinated through United Way of Central Indiana*
 - *\$1M per year to expand and replicate high-quality (level 3 & level 4) preschool programs*
 - *Seek a one to one match to expand access to the full need*
 - *Eli Lilly pledges \$10M over three years if enacted*

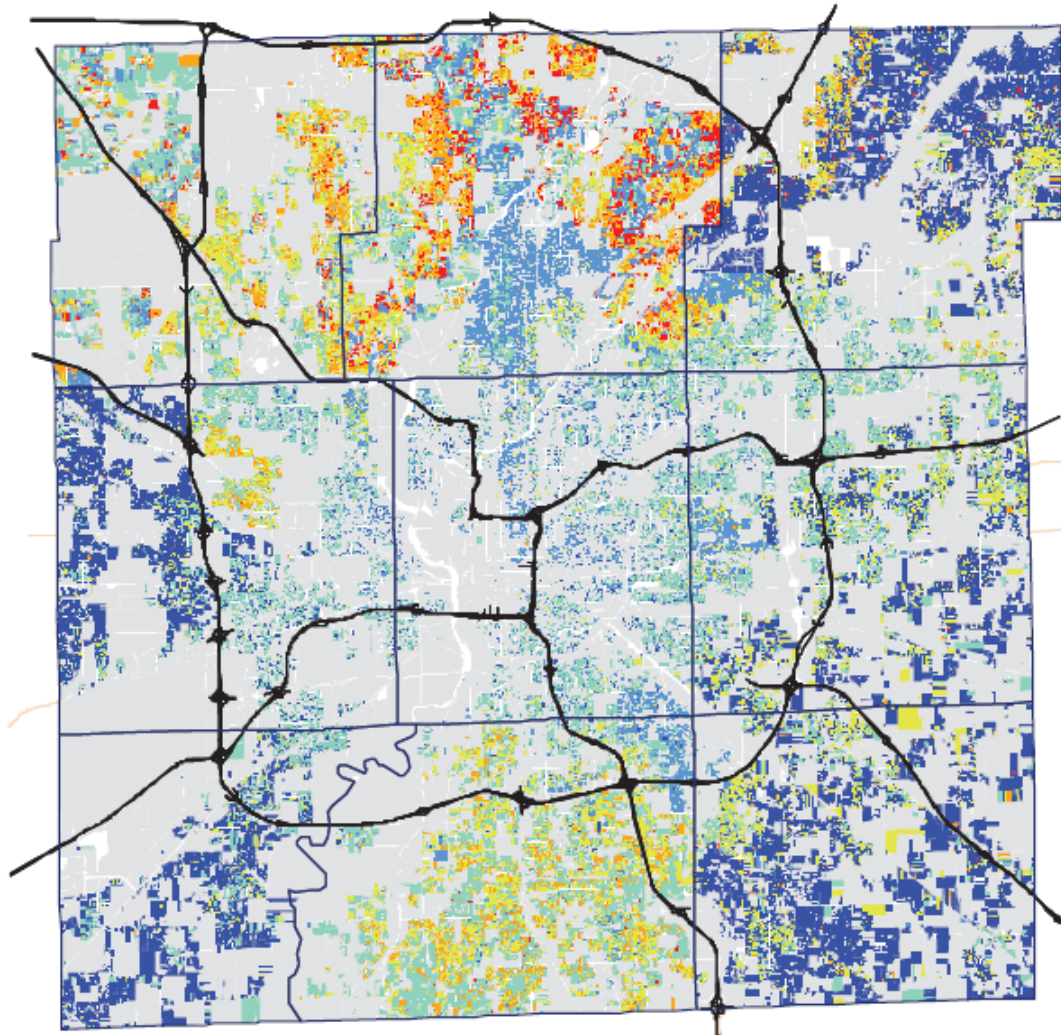
- ***Preschool scholarship program funded by elimination of local homestead credit***
 - *NOT \$45,000 state-controlled homestead deduction*
 - *46% of homeowners already at 1% cap – no impact*
 - *Average impact of \$1.84 per month for homeowners not at caps already*

Scholarships could be available to children beginning in Fall of 2015



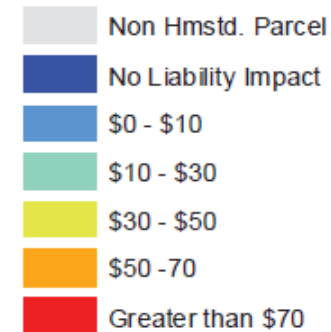
Marion County COIT Homestead Credit Analysis

Taxpayer Impact of Removing COIT Homestead Credit (Est. 2012-13)



County Overview

Impact of Removing COIT Homestead Credit



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- ***Help students who have been suspended, expelled, or dropout from school***
 - *Nearly 1,800 students per year are expelled or dropout and 22,000 are suspended*
 - *Disproportionally impacts families in poverty and African-American children*
 - *Launch Francis Marion Academy to provide students detained in the Marion County Juvenile Detention Center, and others the opportunity to attain a quality education*
 - *Provide innovative schools such as The Excel Center and Christel House DORS*
- ***Mayor Ballard asks “Your Life Matters” Task Force to study issue***
 - *Get better understanding of statistics and impacts*
 - *Make policy recommendations to reduce suspensions, expulsions, and dropouts to Indiana General Assembly*
- ***Change Indy Curfew Ordinance***
 - *Current curfew permits 15-17 year olds out until 1:00am on weekends*
 - *Mayor proposes moving weekend curfew to 11:00pm*
 - *Exceptions for teens with parents, work or school/church events*
 - *Parents of curfew violators meet with police to pick up child*



- ***Expand conflict resolution programs through Indy Parks***
 - *1/3 of expulsions for fights and other types of disagreements*
 - *1/3 of homicides from fights/revenge*
 - *Peace Learning Center teaches non-violent conflict resolution from Eagle Creek Park*
 - *Expand program to other parks and include new family focused conflict resolution program*

- ***Ask Regional Council of Chief Elected Officials to Join a Heroin Awareness Initiative***
 - *Use of Anti-Heroin overdose medication up 60%*
 - *Metro Drug Task Force on pace to seize three times amount of heroin from last year*
 - *Regional approach to a regional problem*



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Mayor Ballard has proposed long-term funding for more IMPD officers for three years straight.

- ***Increase Public Safety Income Tax to hire 280 new IMPD Officers***
 - *Recommended by bipartisan IMPD Staffing Commission*
 - *Increase 0.15%*
 - *Average household (median HH income \$42,603) = \$5.32 per month*
 - *Sunset increase if General Assembly passes a commuter tax*
 - *If funding approved, City will also explore applying for COPS grants*

IMPD New Recruit Hiring

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
New Recruits	80	90	90	50	50
Projected Attrition	-42	-42	-42	-42	-42
Projected Year-End Staffing	1,565	1,613	1,661	1,669	1,677



- ***IMPD is aggressively pursuing illegally possessed guns***

- *Detectives work with state and federal partners to trace guns used in crimes*
- *IMPD has arrested 63 juveniles in 2014 for illegal gun possession.*

Guns Recovered by IMPD

2010	2011	2012	2013	2014*
3001	2891	2864	3035	1079

*Through June 30, 2014

- ***Encourage people to call CrimeStoppers to report illegal gun possession***

- *Friends and family are afraid to confront a young person about a gun*
- *60% of victims of crimes against persons are not cooperating with police*
- *CrimeStoppers will take an anonymous tips*
- *If person is in illegal possession of a weapon, police will confiscate*
- *Call 262-TIPS*

- ***IMPD Recently Created new Full-Time SWAT Team***

- *Old SWAT team pulled officers from units and away from districts as needed*
- *New Full-Time SWAT Team has approximately a dozen officers*
- *Use undercover and full tactical operations*



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- ***Ask State to enact 20-Year Mandatory Minimum Sentence for Gun Crimes***
 - *25% of Indianapolis homicides in 2014 would have been prevented with 10-year minimum sentence*
 - *Suspects or victims would still be in prison from previous crime*
 - *Work with DOC to ensure offenders are getting services from “First Day In” such as education opportunities, social and conflict resolution skills, job training, substance abuse and mental health treatment*
- ***Increase Funding for Sheriff, Prosecutors and Courts***
 - *Enacting IMPD Staffing Commission Recommendations provides up to \$10 million to Marion County criminal justice agencies*
 - *New funding could hire more prosecutors, benefit the courts and community corrections and help Sheriff add programs in Jail to prepare inmates for release*



Thank you for your attendance!

For more information visit:

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